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SUBJECT: AIRCREW ELECTRONIC WARFARE TACTICS FACILITY -

MULTIPLE GROUND SITE SOLUTION

SUMMARY: THE CNAD PROJECT GROUP ON AN AIRCREW ELECTRONIC

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WARFARE TACTICS FACILITY (AEWTF) - MULTIPLE GROUND SITES

SOLUTION CONSIDERED SITE OFFERS AND OPTIONS TO EQUIP AND

ESTABLISH SITES. THROUGH OPEN DISCUSSION OF NATIONAL VIEW,

THE GROUP MADE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS AND ESTABLISHED A PRO-

GRAM OF ACTIONS SO THAT WORK TO SATISFY THE URGENT REQUIRE-

MENT FOR AN AEWTF CAN PROCEED AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE AMONG

THE NATIONS OFFERING SITES. END SUMMARY.

1. THE PROJECT GROUP FOR AN AIRCREW ELECTRONIC WARFARE TACTICS FACILITY - MULTIPLE GROUND SITE SOLUTION HELD ITS FIRST MEETING ON JUNE 27-30, 1977 AT NATO HEADQUARTERS. REPRESENTATIVES FROM BELGIUM, DENMARK, FRANCE, FRG, ITALY, THE NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, UK, US AND SHAPE ATTENDED THE MEETING. THE US WAS REPRESENTED BY MR. J. PORTER (ODDR&E), COL. K. GILROY (HQ USAF), COL. C. TOOLE (JCS-J3), LT COL D. GOODSON (HQ USAF), CAPT. W. EAGAR (HQ AFSC), MR. A. MILLER (HQ AFLC), AND MAJ D. TATMAN (HQ USAFE). THE PROJECT GROUP AGREED THAT THE US SHOULD CHAIR THE MEETING; COL. GILROY ASSUMED THE CHAIR.
2. AT ITS MEETING IN APRIL, THE CNAD ESTABLISHED THE PROJECT GROUP AND TASKED IT TO: (1) REFINE EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION COSTS AND ESTIMATED COSTS OF OPERATING SUCH A MULTIPLE GROUND SITES FACILITY; (2) PROPOSE A COST-SHARING FORMULA; AND (3) DRAW UP FOR SIGNATURE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.
3. WHILE THE US TEAM HAD PREPARED PRESENTATIONS TO ADDRESS VARIOUS EQUIPMENT OPTIONS AVAILABLE, EITHER IN THE US RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CYCLE, OR IN THE CONTRACTOR PROPOSAL STAGE, THE FRG REPRESENTATIVE INSISTED UPON CONCENTRATING FIRST ON THE EQUIPMENT LISTED IN THE FINAL REPORT OF THE MULTI-NATIONAL SUBGROUP (AC/224-D/396, DATED DECEMBER 16, 1976). THEREFORE THE US TEAM TAILORED ITS PRESENTATIONS  
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OF ALTERNATIVE EQUIPMENT TOWARD THE PHASE I AND PHASE II  
OPTIONS CONTAINED IN THE ABOVE REFERENCED FINAL REPORT.

4. ALL REPRESENTATIVES EXPRESSED THE BELIEF THAT IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE TO PREPARE A DRAFT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) UNTIL MORE DETAILED INFORMATION, INCLUDING TOTAL EQUIPMENT COSTS, WAS AVAILABLE TO THE GROUP. THE US REP POINTED OUT THAT THE US WOULD BE WILLING TO ASSIST AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE IN THIS REGARD, BUT HOST NATIONS WOULD NEED TO IDENTIFY SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT FOR EACH SITE AND TO CONDUCT SITE SURVEYS TO DETERMINE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS, BEFORE MORE SPECIFIC COST INFORMATION WOULD BE AVAILABLE.
5. WITH THE UNANIMOUS CONSENT OF THE PROJECT GROUP, A SMALL WORKING GROUP CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THOSE NATIONS OFFERING SITES OR EQUIPMENT AS DOCUMENTED IN THE FINAL REPORT (BELGIUM, FRG, FRANCE, US), AS WELL AS THE SHAPE REPRESENTATIVE, MET ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 29, 1977. THIS SMALLER GROUP MET IN AN ATTEMPT TO REACH AGREEMENT ON SOME OF THE MORE DIFFICULT ISSUES SUCH AS SELECTION OF EQUIPMENT. THE US POSITION THAT EACH NATION OFFERING A SITE SHOULD PURCHASE, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN ITS OWN EQUIPMENT WAS STRONGLY OBJECTED TO BY BELGIUM, FRANCE AND

GERMANY. FRENCH AND GERMAN CONCERN WAS THAT THIS POSITION WOULD REQUIRE THOSE NATIONS WHICH HAD OFFERED SEVERAL SITES TO MAKE DISPROPORTIONATE INVESTMENTS, THUS PROBABLY FORCING THEM TO WITHDRAW SOME SITE OFFERS. BELGIAN CONCERN WAS THAT A NATION (SUCH AS BELGIUM) WHICH DID NOT HAVE THE CAPITAL TO PROVIDE BOTH A SITE AND EQUIPMENT WOULD BE FORCED TO WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY. THE US REPS TOOK BOTH POSITIONS UNDER ADVISEMENT. THE GROUP AGREED THAT SPECIFIC COST-SHARING FORMULAS COULD NOT BE DEVELOPED UNTIL TOTAL COSTS ARE KNOWN. THE BELGIAN REP INFORMALLY ADVISED THE SMALLER

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GROUP THAT THE BELGIAN SITE IN THE ARDENNES HAS VERY FEW AIR TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS; THE GROUP NOTED THAT THIS SITE COULD POSSIBLY BE EQUIPPED BY ANOTHER NATION AS AN AEWTF OR AIR COMBAT MANEUVERING SITE.

6. WHEN THE FULL PROJECT GROUP RECONVENED ON JUNE 30, THE CHAIRMAN RECAPPED THE PREVIOUS AFTERNOON'S DISCUSSIONS. ALL REPRESENTATIVES EXPRESSED THE DESIRE TO CONTINUE PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROJECT GROUP. NONETHELESS, THE FRENCH  
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AND GERMAN REPS MADE SEVERAL ATTEMPTS TO EXCLUDE FROM FUTURE DISCUSSIONS THOSE NATIONS WHICH HAD NOT MADE, IN THE MULTI-NATIONAL SUBGROUP FINAL REPORT, AN INITIAL COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE EITHER SITE OR EQUIPMENT. IN RESPONSE TO THESE ATTEMPTS, THE UK REP ASKED TO BE PUT ON RECORD AS BEING PREPARED TO INITIATE BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE FRG FOR A POSSIBLE SITE AT GUTERSLOH, FRG. FYI: THIS INITIATIVE WAS NOT WELL RECEIVED BY THE GERMAN REPRESENTATIVES. IN LATER PRIVATE CONVERSATION, THE GERMAN REPRESENTATIVES INDICATED THAT THEY CONSIDERED THE UK SITE REQUEST TO BE A DELAYING TACTIC, AND THAT ITS CONSIDERATION NOW WOULD DELAY EARLY SATISFACTION OF THE FRG'S URGENT REQUIREMENT FOR AIRCREW ELECTRONIC WARFARE TRAINING. THE UK REP APPARENTLY BELIEVES THAT RAPID ACTION ON THIS PROJECT WILL DELAY THE BILATERAL US/UK SPADEADAM PROJECT. END FYI.

7. FUTURE TASKING. THE PROJECT GROUP DEVELOPED A SPECIFIC LIST OF ACTION ITEMS WHICH WILL NEED TO BE COMPLETED TO ENSURE PROGRESS AT THE NEXT MEETING.

A. THE US REP (PORTER) AGREED TO FORWARD TO THE NATIONS BY JULY 15, 1977 MATERIAL DESCRIBING THE TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND ESTIMATED PROCUREMENT COSTS OF THE LOWER COST ALTERNATIVE EQUIPMENT DESCRIBED IN BRIEFINGS HE HAD GIVEN.

B. THE NATIONS WHICH PLAN TO INVEST IN THREAT SIMULATION EQUIPMENT (BELGIUM, FRANCE AND FRG) WILL FORWARD TO THE UNITED STATES THROUGH NATIONAL CHANNELS A LIST OF TECHNICAL AND EQUIPMENT OPERATION QUESTIONS, THE ANSWERS TO WHICH THEY WILL NEED IN ORDER TO MAKE PRELIMINARY SELECTION OF SIMULATION EQUIPMENT. THE ANSWERS WILL ALSO SUPPORT SITE SURVEYS NATIONS MUST MAKE TO DETERMINE WHAT WORK WILL BE NECESSARY AT THE SITES TO SUPPORT THE DESIRED SIMULATION EQUIPMENT. ACTION TO BE COMPLETED BY FRANCE (15 AUGUST), FRG (30 JULY), AND USAFE (15 AUGUST).

C. THE GROUP URGED THE US TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION  
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MATION FROM FRANCE AND FRG NOT LATER THAN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT.

D. BY OCTOBER 15, 1977 THE NATIONS WILL PROVIDE WRITTEN COMMENTS TO THE PROJECT GROUP CHAIRMAN ON THE WORKING PAPER ON A MULTI-NATIONAL AEWTF FOR CENTRAL EUROPE. THE CHAIRMAN

REQUESTED LINE-IN/LINE-OUT CHANGES OR PROPOSED REVISIONS TO SPECIFIC PARAGRAPHS RATHER THAN PHILOSOPHICAL DISCUSSIONS OF DIFFERENT AEWTF APPROACHES. ACTION: ALL NATIONS, BY 15 OCTOBER 1977.

E. THE GROUP AGREED TO MEET AGAIN IN LATE NOVEMBER 1977 TO DISCUSS THE TECHNICAL DETAILS OF THE TENTATIVE NATIONAL SELECTIONS OF EQUIPMENT RESULTING FROM THE ABOVE INFORMATION EXCHANGES. THE MEETING WILL BE DEVOTED PRIMARILY TO REFINING THE TECHNICAL DETAILS AND ALTERNATIVE EQUIPMENT FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS AMONG THE NATIONS OFFERING SITES (BELGIUM, FRANCE, FRG, AND US). THE PROJECT GROUP AGREED THAT OTHER PARTICIPATING NATIONS WILL ATTEND THE MEETING AS OBSERVERS TO INSURE THAT THE INTERESTS OF ALL NATIONS ARE ACCOMMODATED TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE. BENNETT

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